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In re Patent Application of:

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For: On-Line Dispersion Compensation Device

For A Wavelength Division Optical

Transmission System

Examiner: T. Sills

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

In response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1, 2,

4, 5 and 7-9, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.